

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested. Claims 1-20, 22, 24, 35, 37, and 40-45 have been canceled (claims 1-20, 35, 37 and 40-45 were previously canceled). Claims 21, 27, 31, 32, and 34 have been amended. Claims 46-49 have been newly added. No new matter has been added. **Applicants hereby respectfully request a telephone interview with the Examiner to be held before the Examiner's issuance of an office action in response to this RCE.**

Claim Rejections - §103(a)

Independent claims 21, 27 and 34 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on Huckins (U.S. Patent No.: 5,612,898) in view of Heilmann et al. (U.S. Patent No.: 6,760,420, hereinafter "Heilmann"). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections.

Claim 21 recites:

21. A device to log information in a network cache, the device comprising:
 an application module to receive requests from a plurality of clients for content maintained by an origin server and to receive responses to the requests from the origin server;
 an interface to allow selection of a protocol, selection for logging of some or all of a plurality of fields of the protocol that may be present in each of said requests and responses, and specification of a sequence in which the selected fields are to appear in a log file; and
 a log module to record information of the received requests and responses into the log file, according to the selected protocol, the selected fields of the protocol, and the specified sequence.
(Emphasis added)

Huckins provides a client logging interface with which client components may periodically transfer log data or messages to a log file to provide a debug tracing log of the execution of the client component (Huckins, column 2, lines 9-13). Thus, Huckins' system only logs message from a client. In contrast, as recited in the above emphasized limitations of claim 21, the recited device logs information regarding both requests received from clients and responses to the requests received from an origin server. Heilmann also does not teach or suggest the above emphasized limitations of claim 21. Thus, at least for the foregoing reasons, claim 21 and all claims which depend on it are patentable over Huckins and Heilmann.

Independent claims 27, 34, and 48 each recites limitations similar to those discussed above for claim 21. Thus, for similar reasons, claims 27, 34, 48, and all claims which depend on them are also patentable over Huckins and Heilmann.

Conclusion

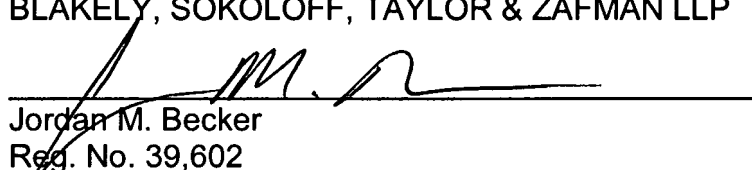
For the foregoing reasons, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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